

OPTIMAL AND ROBUST CONTROL OF THE  
NONLINEAR ALGEBRAIC GROWTH  
IN A BLASIUS BOUNDARY LAYER

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## Algebraic instability in parallel flow (Beware of Squire's theorem!)

Linearized Navier-Stokes equations (about  $u=u_0(y)$ ):

$$\delta u_x + \delta v_y + \delta w_z = 0$$

$$\delta u_t + u_0 \delta u_x + u_{0y} \delta v + \delta p_x = \nu \Delta_2 \delta u$$

$$\delta v_t + u_0 \delta v_x + \delta p_y = \nu \Delta_2 \delta v$$

$$\delta w_t + u_0 \delta w_x + \delta p_z = \nu \Delta_2 \delta w$$

after Fourier expansion:

$$i\alpha U + i\beta W - V_y = 0$$

$$i(\omega - u_0 \alpha) U + u_{0y} V - i\alpha P = \nu \Delta_2 U$$

$$i(\omega - u_0 \alpha) V + P_y = \nu \Delta_2 V$$

$$i(\omega - u_0 \alpha) W - i\beta P = \nu \Delta_2 W$$

In the variables  $V$  and  $\eta = i\alpha W - i\beta U$ :

$$i(\omega - \alpha u_0) \Delta_2 V + i\alpha u_{0yy} V = \nu \Delta_2 \Delta_2 V$$

(Orr-Sommerfeld)

$$i(\omega - \alpha u_0) \eta - \nu \Delta_2 \eta = i\beta u_{0y} V$$

(Squire)

"There are no unstable eigenvalues in the three-dimensional problem that are not already present in the Orr-Sommerfeld equation" (Squire's theorem)

Does eigenvalue analysis tell the whole story?

Inviscid approximation :

$$(\omega - \alpha u_0) \Delta_2 V + \alpha u_{0,yy} V = 0 \quad (\text{Rayleigh})$$

$$(\omega - \alpha u_0) \eta = i\beta u_{0,y} V \quad (\text{Landahl, etc.})$$

Real eigenvalues of the Rayleigh equation are double real eigenvalues of the three-dimensional problem. Double real eigenvalues correspond to instability.

In the time domain :

$$\eta(y_c, t) = e^{i\omega t} \int i\beta u_{0,y} V dt \quad (u_0(y_c) = \omega/\alpha)$$

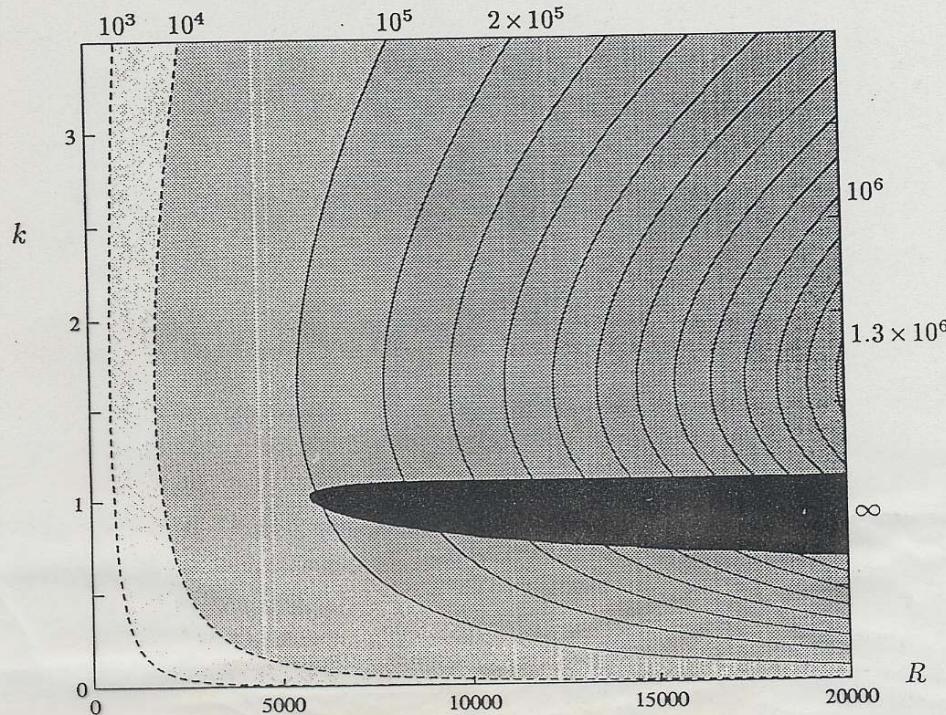
With viscosity included, the inviscid instability becomes a transient algebraic growth followed by exponential viscous decay.

(There also exists a two-dimension algebraic growth, described by Trefethen, Henningson, Reddy, etc.)

Is the algebraic growth still transient in a non-parallel boundary layer?

# TRANSIENT GROWTH

Trefethen, Trefethen, Reddy and Driscoll – 4



**Fig. 2.** Maximum possible amplification of 3D perturbations in linearized Poiseuille flow as a function of Reynolds number  $R$  and  $x$ - $z$  wave number magnitude  $k = \sqrt{\alpha^2 + \beta^2}$ . In the black region, with leftmost point  $R = 5772$ , unstable eigenmodes exist and unbounded amplification is possible. The contours outside that region correspond to finite amplification factors of  $10^3$ ,  $10^4$  (dashed), and  $1 \times 10^5, 2 \times 10^5, \dots, 1.3 \times 10^6$ . For example, amplification by a factor of 1000 is possible for all  $R \geq 549$ . In the laboratory, transition to turbulence is observed at  $R \approx 1000$ . The analogous picture for Couette flow looks qualitatively similar except that there is no black region.

Initial work : adjoint method for stability analysis.

Receptivity of quasi-parallel TS waves  
(Hill 1995) 1d adjoint

Receptivity of Förtler vortices  
(Luchini & Bottaro 1998) 2d adjoint

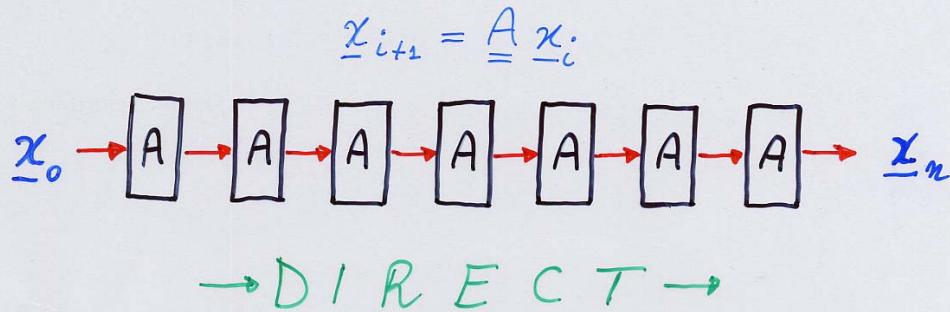
Transient growth of b.l. perturbations  
(Luchini 1997 - 2000)  
(Andersson, Berggren, Henningson 1997 - 1999)  
2d adjoint optimization

Optimal control of b.l. perturbations  
(Cathalifaud & Luchini 2000)  
(Zuccher, Luchini & Bottaro 2001 - 2002)  
2d adjoint nonlinear control

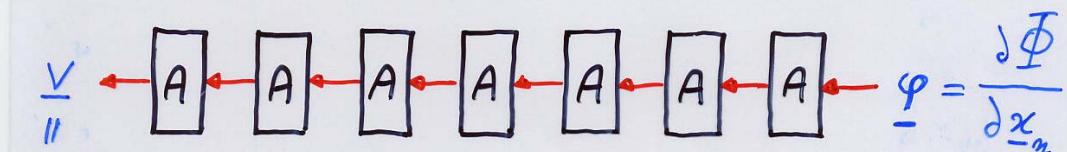
Many other authors :

- shape optimization,
- weather predictions,
- non-Fluid-dynamic control problems.

## ADJOINT



← ADJOINT ←



- The adjoint runs backwards in time  
• Computation time is comparable

## OPTIMIZATION:

Once the sensitivity is known,  
optimization just requires a  
gradient algorithm.

Algebraic growth in a boundary layer  
("Klebanoff mode")

3D, low-frequency fluctuations  
in boundary-layer thickness observed  
in a wind tunnel by Klebanoff (1962)

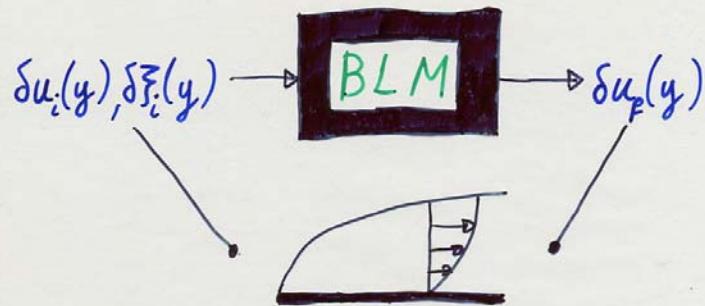
(and, actually, by G.I. Taylor 1938)

Never explained before algebraic  
growth was considered.

It occurs at a Reynolds number where  
all modes are stable.

"Bypass transition"

## "BLACK BOX" APPROACH TO OPTIMIZATION



$(\delta \tilde{z} = (u_0 \delta w)_y - i \alpha u_0 \delta v$  is the initial condition)  
 appropriate to the leading-edge singularity)

$$g = \frac{E_p}{E_i} = \frac{\int_0^\infty |\delta u_p|^2 + \frac{1}{R}(|\delta v_p|^2 + |\delta w_p|^2) dy}{\int_0^\infty |\delta u_i|^2 + \frac{1}{R}(|\delta v_i|^2 + |\delta w_i|^2) dy} = \text{MAX}$$

$$R \rightarrow \infty : g = R \frac{\int_0^\infty |\delta u_p|^2 dy}{\int_0^\infty |\delta v_i|^2 + |\delta w_i|^2 dy} \quad (\delta u_i = 0)$$

$$\int_0^\infty |\delta u_p|^2 dy = \delta u_p^* Q_2 \delta u_p$$

$$\int_0^\infty |\delta v_i|^2 + |\delta w_i|^2 dy = \delta \tilde{z}_i^* Q_1 \delta \tilde{z}_i$$

$$\delta u_p = \cup \delta \tilde{z}_i$$

$$g = \boxed{\frac{\delta \tilde{z}_i^* \cup Q_2 \cup \delta \tilde{z}_i}{\delta \tilde{z}_i^* Q_1 \delta \tilde{z}_i}}$$

## Boundary-layer model of the Klebanoff mode.

Since the Klebanoff mode is of low frequency  
and large longitudinal extension,  
it must be amenable to a steady, three-dimensional  
**boundary-layer model**:

BLM:

$$\begin{aligned}\delta u_x + \delta v_y + i\alpha \delta w &= 0 \\ u_0 \delta u_x + v_0 \delta v_y + u_{0,x} \delta u + u_{0,y} \delta v &= \delta u_{yy} - \alpha^2 \delta u \\ u_0 \delta v_x + v_0 \delta v_y + v_{0,x} \delta u + v_{0,y} \delta v + \delta p_y &= \delta v_{yy} - \alpha^2 \delta v \\ u_0 \delta w_x + v_0 \delta w_y + i\alpha \delta p &= \delta w_{yy} - \alpha^2 \delta w\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}u &= U_d / U_\infty, \quad v = V_d R^{1/2} / U_\infty, \quad w = W_d R^{1/2} / U_\infty \\ x &= x_d / L, \quad y = y_d R^{1/2} / L, \quad \alpha = \alpha_d L / R^{1/2}\end{aligned}$$

Two-dimensional solutions of BLM are stable.

(Libby & Fox 1964)

Three-dimensional solutions of BLM are unstable  
for small  $\alpha$ . (Luchini 1996).

Since there is no Reynolds number in BLM,  
the instability is Reynolds number-independent

## Rayleigh quotient

$$g = \frac{\delta \xi_i^T \underline{U}^T \underline{Q}_2 \underline{U} \delta \xi_i}{\delta \xi_i^T \underline{Q}_1 \delta \xi_i}$$

$\Rightarrow g_{\text{MAX}}$  is the largest eigenvalue of

$$\underline{Q}_1^{-1} \underline{U}^T \underline{Q}_2 \underline{U}$$

Simple direct iteration:

$$\delta \xi_i^{(n+1)} = \underline{Q}_1^{-1} \underline{U}^T \underline{Q}_2 \underline{U} \delta \xi_i^{(n)}$$

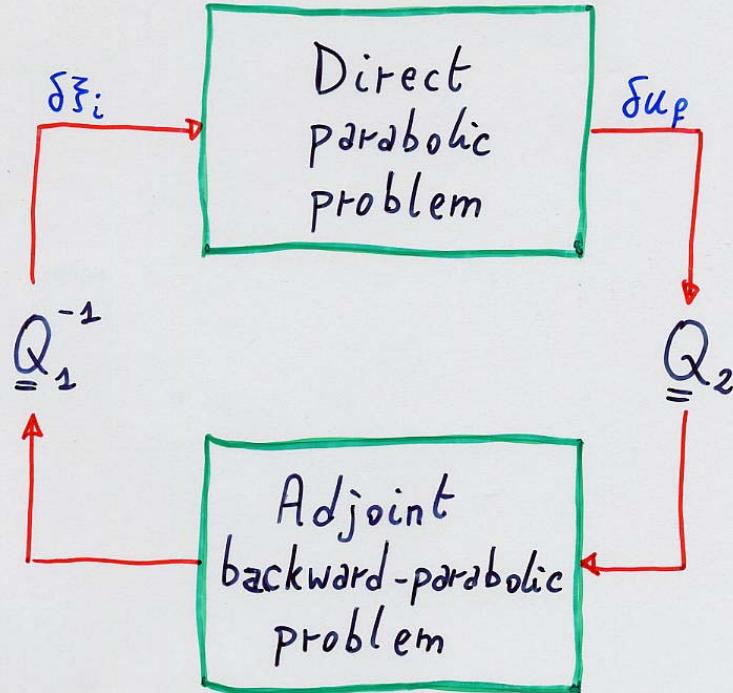
convenient if all the intermediate products are economically available.

$\underline{U} \delta \xi_i^{(n)}$ : output of a numerical simulation with initial condition  $\delta \xi_i^{(n)}$ .

$\underline{Q}_2$ : identity matrix.

$$\underline{Q}_1^{-1}: \alpha^2 - \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} \quad (\text{Laplacian})$$

$\underline{U}^T$ : backward simulation of the adjoint differential problem (or difference problem)  
 (Luchini & Boltzaro, Görtler vortices: a backward-in-time approach to the receptivity problem. APS 1996)



- Guaranteed (and, actually, quick) convergence
- Gives both optimal perturbation and induced disturbance
- Green blocks common to the receptivity calculation of Luchini & Bottaro (1996)

Optimal perturbation

(alfa = 0.45)

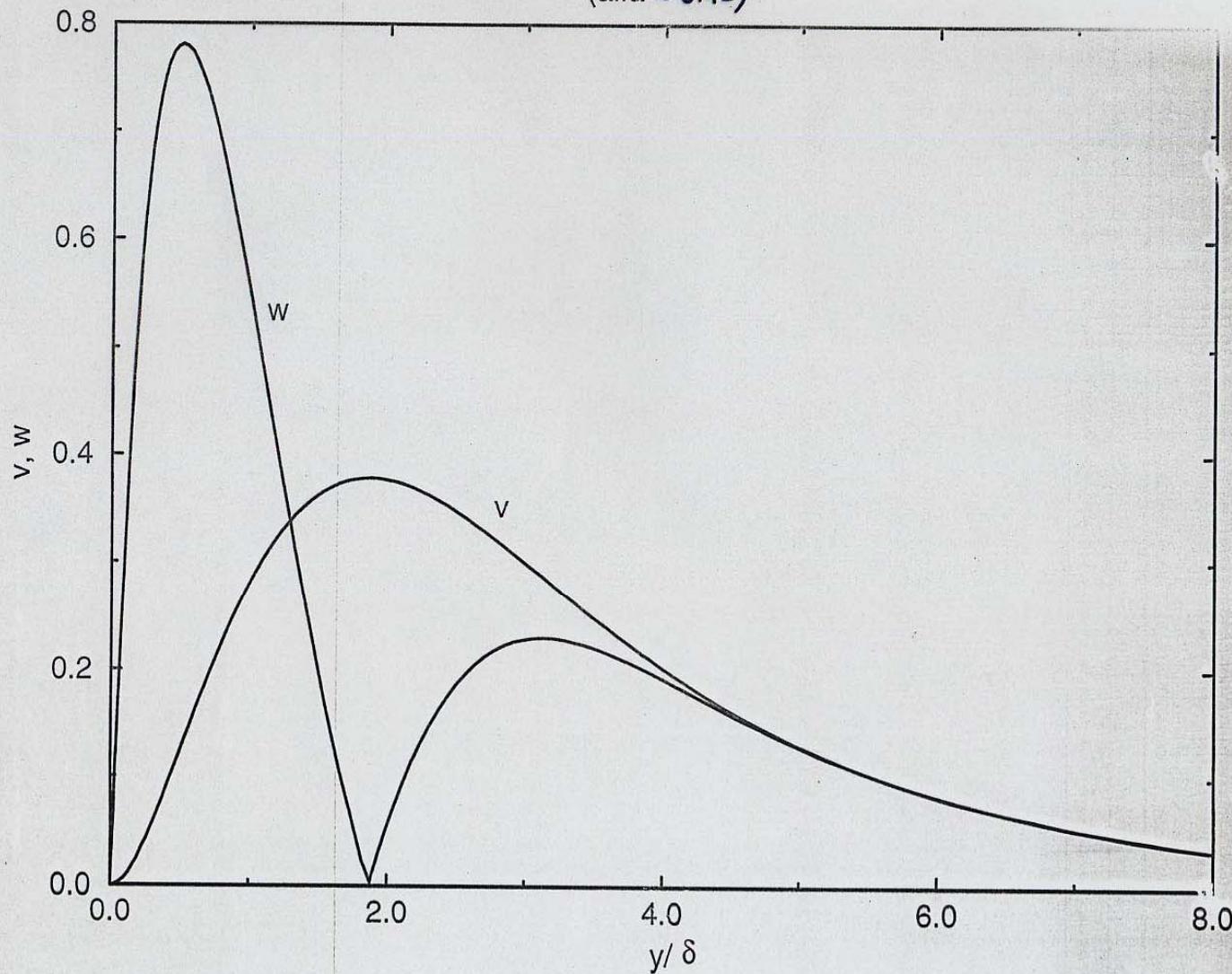
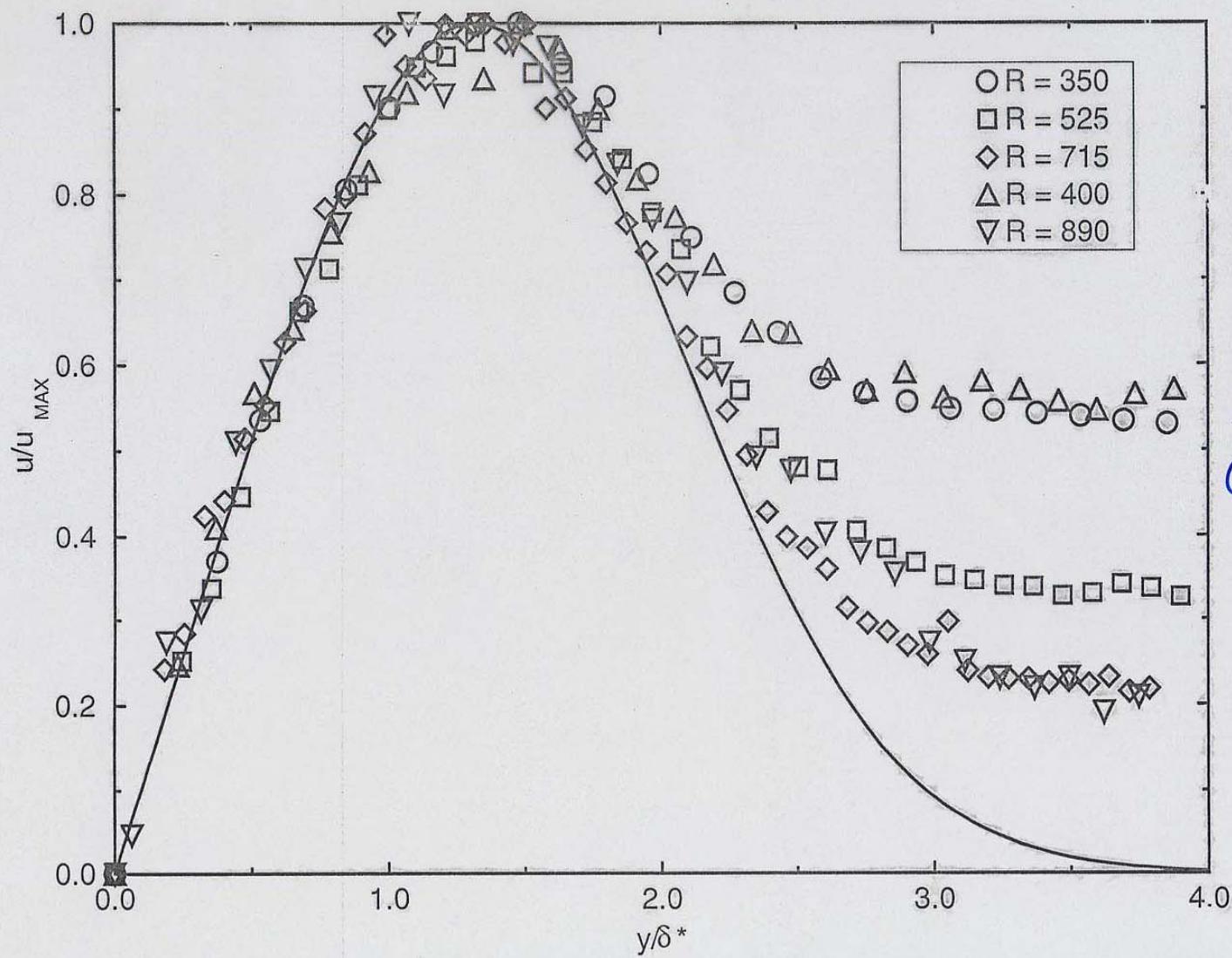


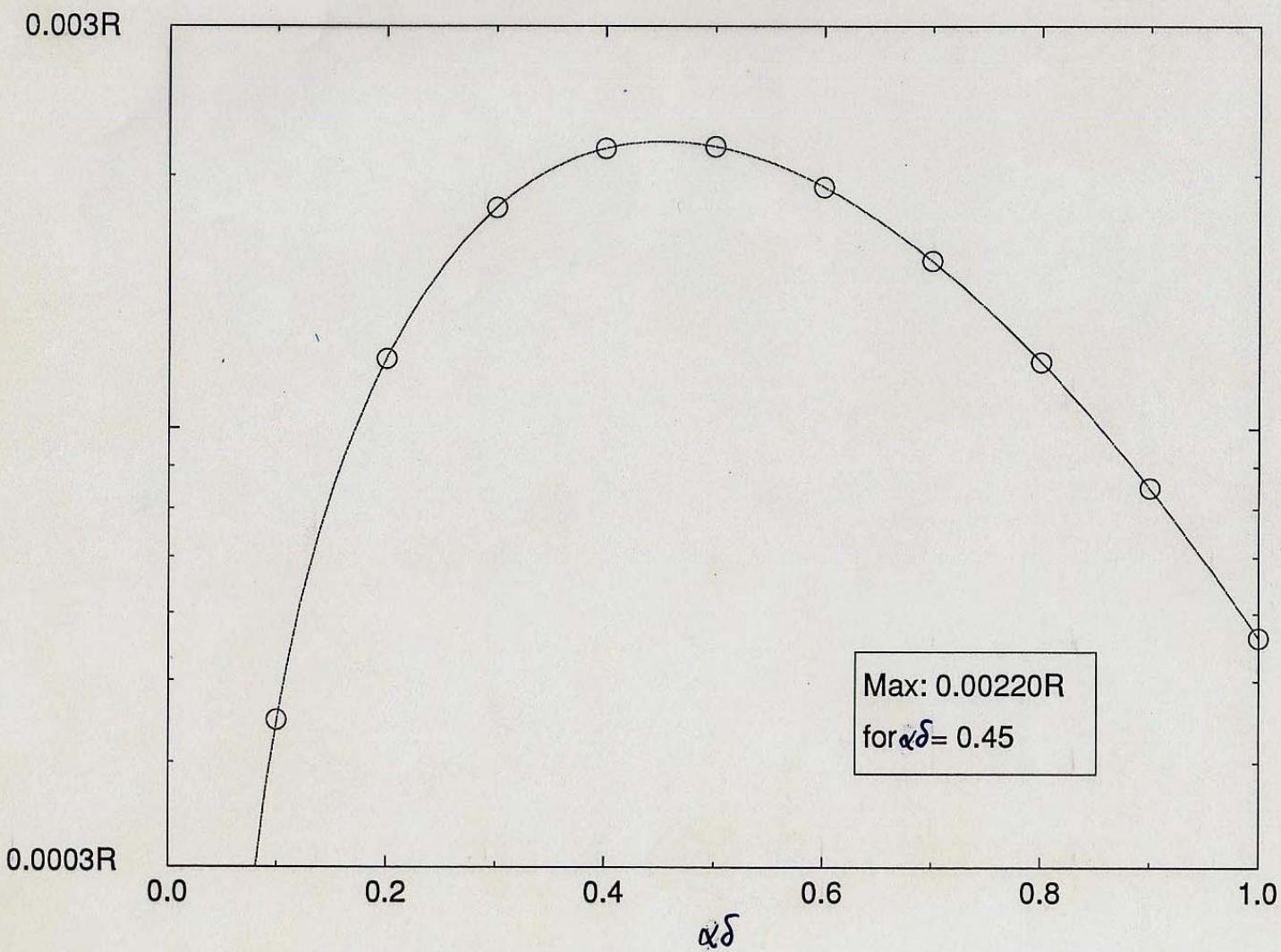
Fig. 5

Comparison with experimental data\*



\* From:  
Westin, Boiko,  
Klingmann, Kozlov  
& Alfredsson,  
J.F.M. 281  
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## Maximum gain

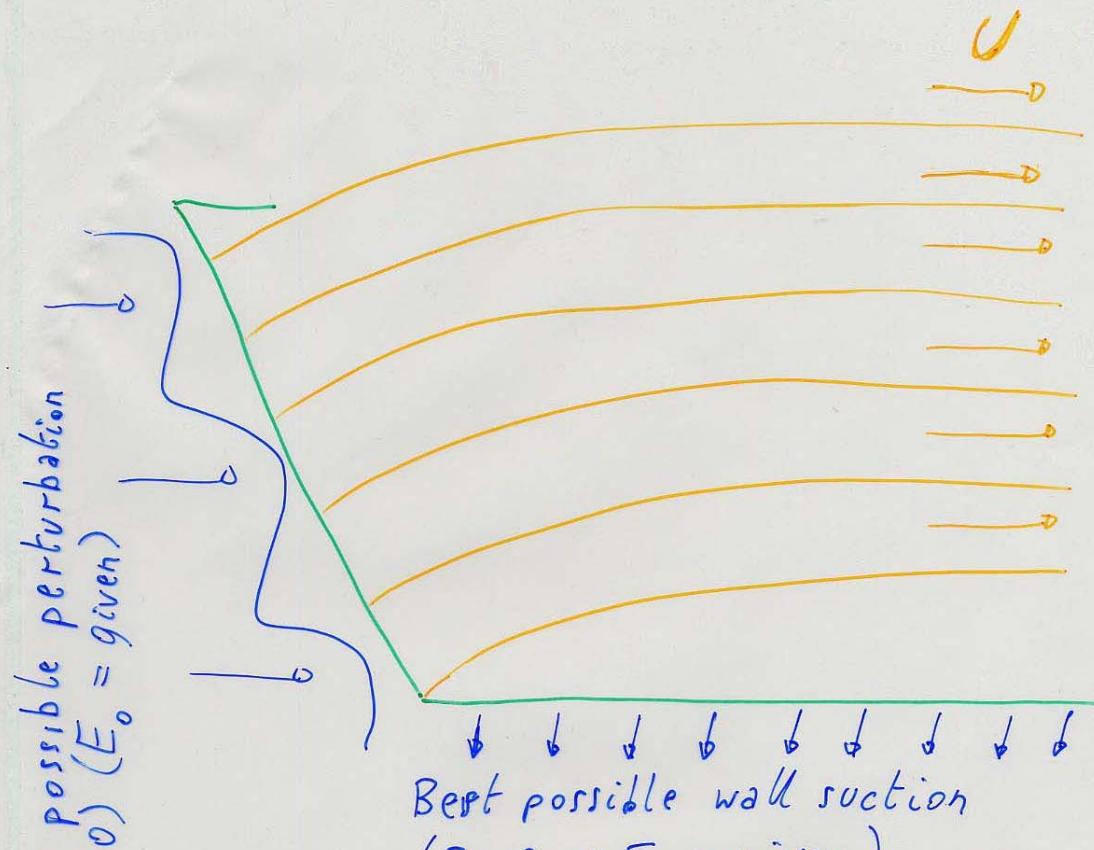


and now the nonlinear part...

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Will suction counteract the transient growth?



- $\omega = 0$
- 3 spatial variables

## WHAT IS AN ADJOINT? (nonlinear answer)

- complex conjugate transpose  
(matrix)
- dual space (operator)
- Lagrange multiplier  
(optimization problem)

① Derivative of a massively compound Function.

Chain rule:

$$\begin{array}{l} \underline{x}_1 = F_1(\underline{x}_0) \\ \underline{x}_2 = F_2(\underline{x}_1) \\ \underline{x}_3 = F_3(\underline{x}_2) \\ \dots \\ \underline{x}_n = F_n(\underline{x}_{n-1}) \\ g = \varphi(\underline{x}_0, \dots, \underline{x}_n) \end{array} \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} \frac{\partial g}{\partial \underline{x}_0} = \frac{\partial g}{\partial \underline{x}_1} \cdot \frac{\partial F_1}{\partial \underline{x}_0} + \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial \underline{x}_0} \\ \frac{\partial g}{\partial \underline{x}_1} = \frac{\partial g}{\partial \underline{x}_2} \cdot \frac{\partial F_2}{\partial \underline{x}_1} + \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial \underline{x}_1} \\ \frac{\partial g}{\partial \underline{x}_2} = \frac{\partial g}{\partial \underline{x}_3} \cdot \frac{\partial F_3}{\partial \underline{x}_2} + \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial \underline{x}_2} \\ \dots \\ \frac{\partial g}{\partial \underline{x}_{n-1}} = \frac{\partial g}{\partial \underline{x}_n} \cdot \frac{\partial F_n}{\partial \underline{x}_{n-1}} + \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial \underline{x}_{n-1}} \\ \frac{\partial g}{\partial \underline{x}_n} = \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial \underline{x}_n} \end{array} \right.$$

How far can we go with gradient vectors  
(not matrices)?

# Optimization

## Objectives

- ⇒ Boundary layer, in the black-box fashion, receives boundary conditions and initial conditions as inputs: what is the most dangerous initial condition regarding transition (=which maximizes the perturbation energy)? **Optimal perturbation**
- ⇒ For the most dangerous initial condition, what is the best suction to be applied at the wall to minimize the perturbation energy? **Optimal control and robust control**
- ⇒ What happens if the initial energy is gradually increased and the **nonlinear** regime reached?

## Methodology

- ☺ Use of an optimization technique based on the solution of the linear **adjoint equations** corresponding to the nonlinear direct ones.

# Problem Formulation

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3D incompressible and stationary boundary layer equations in conservative form:

$$\begin{aligned} u_x + v_y + w_z &= 0 \\ (uu)_x + (uv)_y + (uw)_z - u_{yy} - u_{zz} &= 0 \\ (uv)_x + (vv)_y + (vw)_z + p_y - v_{yy} - v_{zz} &= 0 \\ (uw)_x + (vw)_y + (ww)_z + p_x - w_{yy} - w_{zz} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$u$  normalized with respect to  $U_\infty$ ,  $v$  and  $w$  normalized with respect to  $Re^{-1/2}U_\infty$  ( $Re = U_\infty L/\nu$ )

initial conditions	boundary conditions		
$u(0, y, z) = 1$	$u = 0$	at $y = 0$	$u = 1$ for $y \rightarrow \infty$
$v(0, y, z) = v_0(y, z)$	$v = v_w$	at $y = 0$	$w = 0$ for $y \rightarrow \infty$
	$w = 0$	at $y = 0$	$p = 0$ for $y \rightarrow \infty$

The flow field  $\mathbf{V} = (u, v, w)$  is subdivided in two contributions  $\mathbf{V}_0$  (independent of  $z$ ) and  $\bar{\mathbf{v}}$  (dependent on  $z$ )

$$\mathbf{V}(x, y, z) = \mathbf{V}_0(x, y) + \bar{\mathbf{v}}(x, y, z)$$

The kinetic energy of the contribution depending on  $z$  is taken as a measure of the level of perturbation:

$$E(x) = \int_{-Z}^Z \int_0^\infty [|\bar{u}|^2 + Re^{-1}(|\bar{v}|^2 + |\bar{w}|^2)] dy dz$$

# Choice of the objective function

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Gain at the end ( $x = X$ )

$$G_{\text{out}} = \frac{E_{\text{out}}}{E_{\text{in}}} = \frac{\left[ \int_{-Z}^Z \int_0^\infty [|\bar{u}|^2 + Re^{-1}(|\bar{v}|^2 + |\bar{w}|^2)] dy dz \right]_{x=0}}{\left[ \int_{-Z}^Z \int_0^\infty [|\bar{u}|^2 + Re^{-1}(|\bar{v}|^2 + |\bar{w}|^2)] dy dz \right]_{x=0}}$$

Gain of the mean energy (integral over whole the domain)

$$G_{\text{mean}} = \frac{E_{\text{mean}}}{E_{\text{in}}} = \frac{\int_0^X E(x) dx}{E_{\text{in}}} = \frac{\int_{-Z}^Z \int_0^\infty \int_0^X [|\bar{u}|^2 + Re^{-1}(|\bar{v}|^2 + |\bar{w}|^2)] dx dy dz}{\left[ \int_{-Z}^Z \int_0^\infty [|\bar{u}|^2 + Re^{-1}(|\bar{v}|^2 + |\bar{w}|^2)] dy dz \right]_{x=0}}$$

Under the hypotheses  $Re \rightarrow \infty$  and  $\bar{u}|_{x=0} = 0$ :

$$G_{\text{out}} = \frac{E_{\text{out}}}{E_{\text{in}}} = Re \frac{\int_{-Z}^Z \int_0^\infty [|\bar{u}|^2] dy dz}{\left[ \int_{-Z}^Z \int_0^\infty [|\bar{v}|^2 + |\bar{w}|^2] dy dz \right]_{x=0}}; \quad G_{\text{mean}} = \frac{E_{\text{mean}}}{E_{\text{in}}} = Re \frac{\int_{-Z}^Z \int_0^\infty \int_0^X [|\bar{u}|^2] dx dy dz}{\left[ \int_{-Z}^Z \int_0^\infty [|\bar{v}|^2 + |\bar{w}|^2] dy dz \right]_{x=0}}$$

Objective function:

$$\mathcal{J} = \alpha G_{\text{out}} + \beta G_{\text{mean}}$$

# Constrained Optimization

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Constraints on the initial energy  $E_{\text{in}}$  and control energy  $E_w$

$$E_{\text{in}} = \left[ \int_{-Z}^Z \int_0^\infty [|\bar{v}|^2 + |\bar{w}|^2] dy dz \right]_{x=0} = E_0; \quad E_w = \left[ \int_{x_{\text{in}}}^X |v_w|^2 dx \right]_{y=0} = E_{w0}$$

Lagrange multipliers technique. Functional  $\mathcal{L}(u, v, w, p, \bar{v}_0, v_w, a, b, c, d, \lambda_0, \lambda_w)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = & \mathcal{J} + \int_{-Z}^Z \int_0^\infty \int_0^X a[u_x + v_y + w_z] dx dy dz \\ & + \int_{-Z}^Z \int_0^\infty \int_0^X b[(uu)_x + (uv)_y + (uw)_z - u_{yy} - u_{zz}] dx dy dz \\ & + \int_{-Z}^Z \int_0^\infty \int_0^X c[(uv)_x + (vv)_y + (vw)_z + p_y - v_{yy} - v_{zz}] dx dy dz \\ & + \int_{-Z}^Z \int_0^\infty \int_0^X d[(uw)_x + (vw)_y + (ww)_z + p_x - w_{yy} - w_{zz}] dx dy dz \\ & + \lambda_0[E_{\text{in}}(\bar{v}_0) - E_0] + \lambda_w[E_w(v_w) - E_{w0}] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \delta \mathcal{L} = & \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta u} \delta u + \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta v} \delta v + \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta w} \delta w + \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta p} \delta p + \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta \bar{v}_0} \delta \bar{v}_0 + \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta v_w} \delta v_w + \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta a} \delta a + \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta b} \delta b + \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta c} \delta c + \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta d} \delta d + \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta \lambda_0} \delta \lambda_0 + \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta \lambda_w} \delta \lambda_w = 0 \\ \frac{\delta \mathcal{L}}{\delta u} \delta u = & \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{\mathcal{L}(u + \epsilon \delta u, v, w, p, \bar{v}_0, v_w, a, b, c, d, \lambda_0, \lambda_w) - \mathcal{L}(u, v, w, p, \bar{v}_0, v_w, a, b, c, d, \lambda_0, \lambda_w)}{\epsilon} \end{aligned}$$

# Adjoint problem

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From integration by parts ( $a^* = a + 2bu$ ):

$$\begin{aligned} c_y + d_z &= 0 \\ a_x^* - 2u_x b + b_y v + b_z w + c_z v + d_x v + d_x w + b_{yy} + b_{zz} &= \beta u \\ a_y^* - 2bu_y - b_y u + c_x u + 2c_y v + d_y w + c_z w + c_{yy} + c_{zz} &= 0 \\ a_z^* - 2bu_z - b_z u + c_z v + d_y v + d_x u + 2d_z w + d_{yy} + d_{zz} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

with boundary conditions

$$\begin{array}{lll} b = 0 & \text{at } y = 0 & c = 0 \quad \text{for } y \rightarrow \infty \\ a^* - 2bu + c_y = 0 & \text{at } y = 0 & a^* - ub + c_y = 0 \quad \text{for } y \rightarrow \infty \\ d = 0 & \text{at } y = 0 & d = 0 \quad \text{for } y \rightarrow \infty \end{array}$$

and “initial conditions” at  $x = X$

$$\begin{array}{ll} c = 0 & \text{at } x = X \\ d = 0 & \text{at } x = X \\ \int_{-Z}^Z \int_0^\infty a^* dy dz + \alpha \frac{\delta G_{\text{out}}}{\delta u} = 0 & \text{at } x = X \end{array}$$

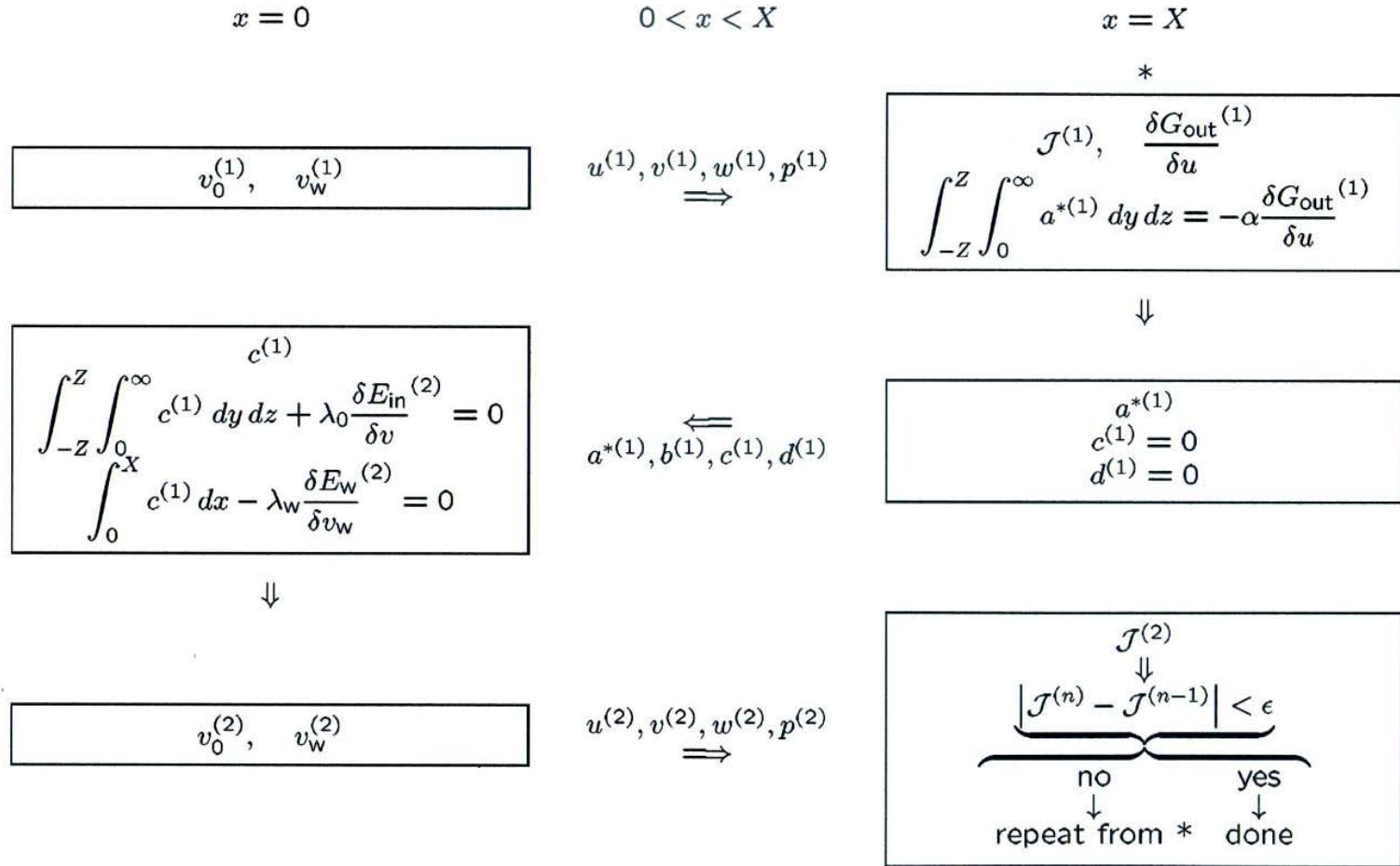
From the integration by parts also “coupling conditions” between the adjoint and direct problem:

$$\int_{-Z}^Z \int_0^\infty c dy dz + \lambda_0 \frac{\delta E_{\text{in}}}{\delta \bar{v}} = 0 \text{ per } x = 0; \quad \int_0^X c dx - \lambda_w \frac{\delta E_w}{\delta v_w} = 0 \text{ per } y = 0$$


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# Iterative optimization procedure

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# Discretization and implementation

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Fourier modes in  $z$

$$u(x, y, z) = \sum_{n=-N}^N U_n(x, y) e^{in\beta z}; \quad v(x, y, z) = \sum_{n=-N}^N V_n(x, y) e^{in\beta z}; \quad w(x, y, z) = \sum_{n=-N}^N W_n(x, y) e^{in\beta z}$$

Nonlinear terms like  $uu$ ,  $uv, uw, \dots$  introduce coupling coefficients  $C^{UU}$ ,  $C^{UV}, C^{UW}, \dots$

$$u(x, y, z)v(x, y, z) = \sum_{n=-N}^N e^{in\beta z} \left[ \sum_{k=a}^b U_k(x, y) V_{n-k}(x, y) \right] = \sum_{n=-N}^N e^{in\beta z} C_n^{UV}(x, y); \quad \begin{aligned} a &= \max(-N, n + N) \\ b &= \min(N, n - N) \end{aligned}$$

$$(U_n)_x + (V_n)_y + in\beta W_n = 0$$

$$(C_n^{UU})_x + (C_n^{UV})_y + in\beta C_n^{UW} - (U_n)_{yy} + n^2\beta^2 U_n = 0$$

$$(C_n^{UV})_x + (C_n^{VV})_y + in\beta C_n^{VW} - (V_n)_y + n^2\beta^2 V_n + (P_n)_y = 0$$

$$(C_n^{UW})_x + (C_n^{VW})_y + in\beta C_n^{WW} - (W_n)_{yy} + n^2\beta^2 W_n + in\beta P_n = 0$$

Fourier modes in  $z$ , finite differences in  $x$  and  $y$  (second order, non uniform).

**Non linear** discretized problem with **all modes coupled with each other**.

- Possible approaches:
1. Newton-like linearization for the coupled and large system
  2. Newton-like linearization and decoupling of the modes  
in order to solve a small linear system for each mode
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# Discretization and implementation

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“Initial condition” for the adjoint problem at  $x = X$ :

$$\int_{-Z}^Z \int_0^\infty a^* dy dz = -\alpha \frac{\delta G_{\text{out}}}{\delta u} \Rightarrow a^*(y) = -L_u(y)u^*(y)$$

Coupling conditions between the direct and adjoint problem

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-Z}^Z \int_0^\infty c dy dz + \lambda_0 \frac{\delta E_{\text{in}}}{\delta v} &= 0; \quad c + \lambda_0 L_v v^* = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad v_0^{t+1} = - \left[ \frac{1}{\lambda^t} L_v^{-1} c_0^t \right]^* \\ \int_0^X c_w dx - \lambda \frac{\delta E_w}{\delta v_w} &= 0; \quad c_w - \lambda_w L_w v_w^* = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad v_w^{t+1} = \left[ \frac{1}{\lambda^t} L_w^{-1} c_w^t \right]^* \end{aligned}$$

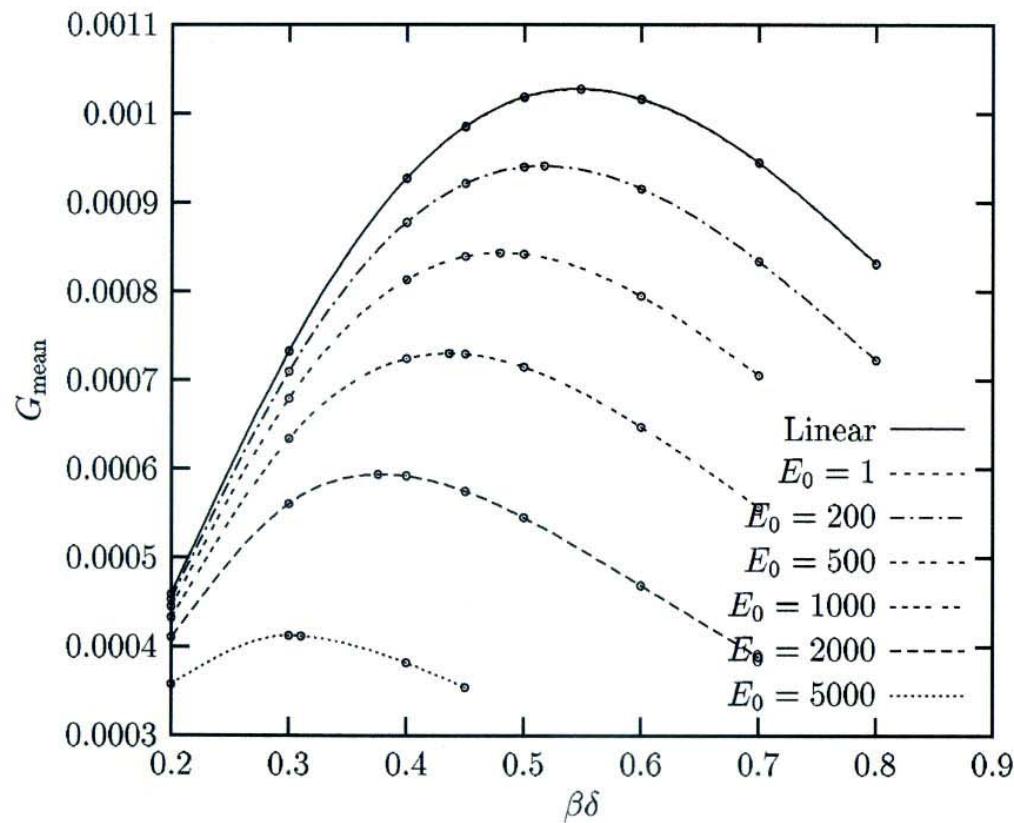
With relaxation ( $0 < k < 1$ )

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Initial condition: } v_0^{t+1} &= v_0^t(1-k) - k \left[ \frac{1}{\lambda^t} L_v^{-1} c_0^t \right]^* \\ \text{Boundary condition at the wall: } v_w^{t+1} &= v_w^t(1-k) + k \left[ \frac{1}{\lambda^t} L_w^{-1} c_w^t \right]^* \end{aligned}$$

Optimal perturbation		Optimal control
mode $n = 0$		mode $n = 0$
$U_0 = 1$	$U_1 = 0$	$U_0 = 1$
$V_0 = 0$	$V_1 = V_1^0$	$V_0 = v_w$
$W_0 = 0$	$W_1 = W_1^0(V_1^0)$	$W_0 = 0$

# Optimal perturbation

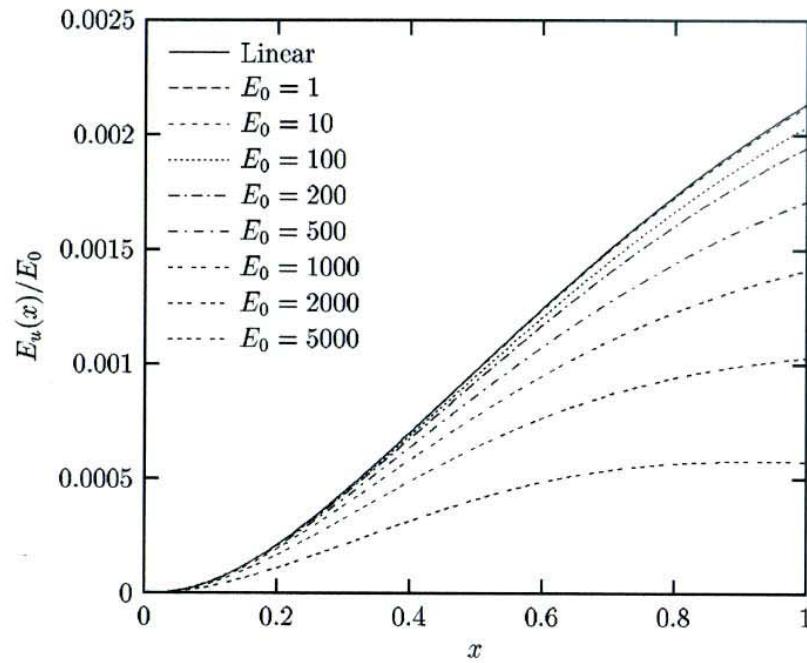
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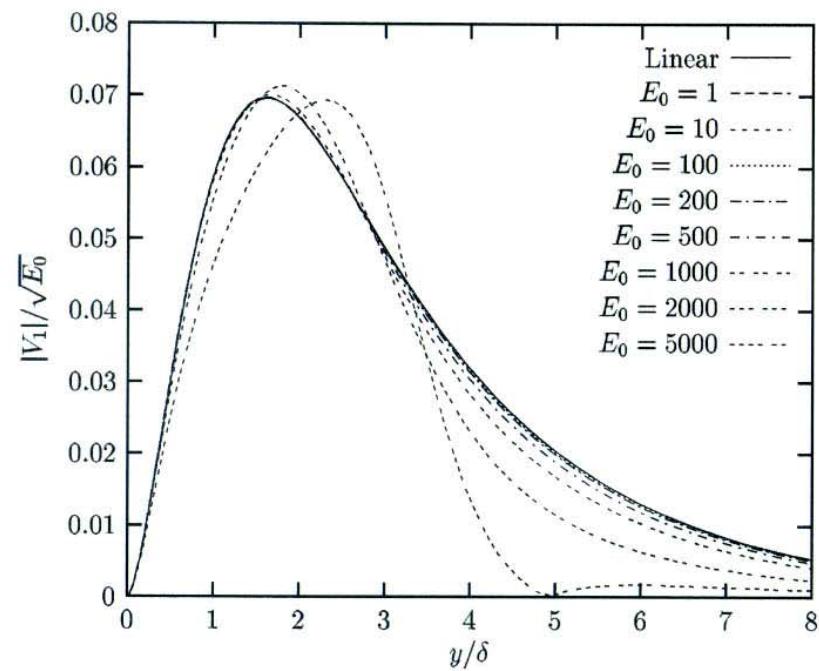
Gain  $G_{\text{mean}} = E_{\text{mean}}/E_0$  for different values of the initial energy  $E_0$  and different wavenumbers  $\beta\delta$

# Optimal perturbation – $\beta\delta = 0.45$

Optimal perturbation for varying  $E_0$  and at  $\beta\delta$  fixed



Energy behavior  $E_u(x)/E_0$



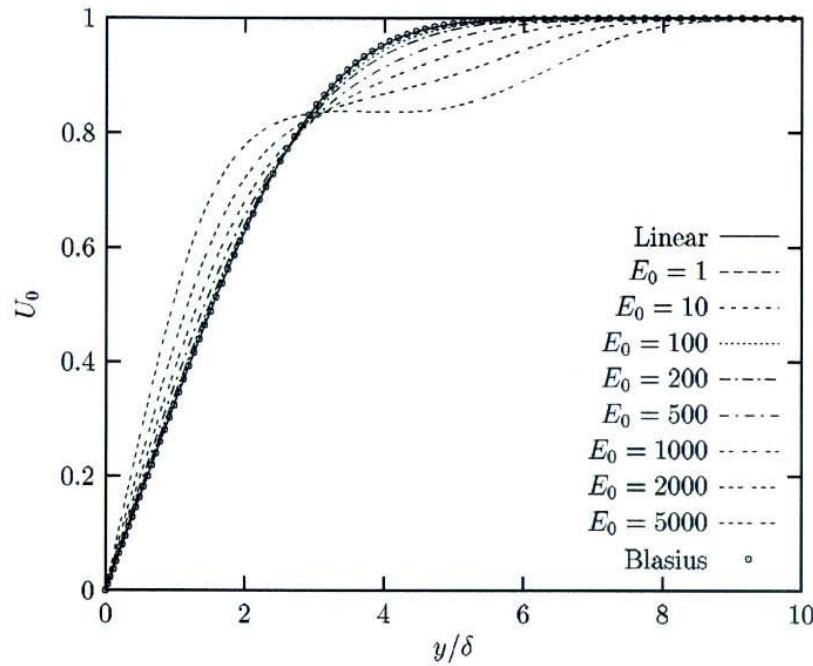
Initial perturbation  $|V_1|/\sqrt{E_0}$

⇒ Saturation for high initial energy?

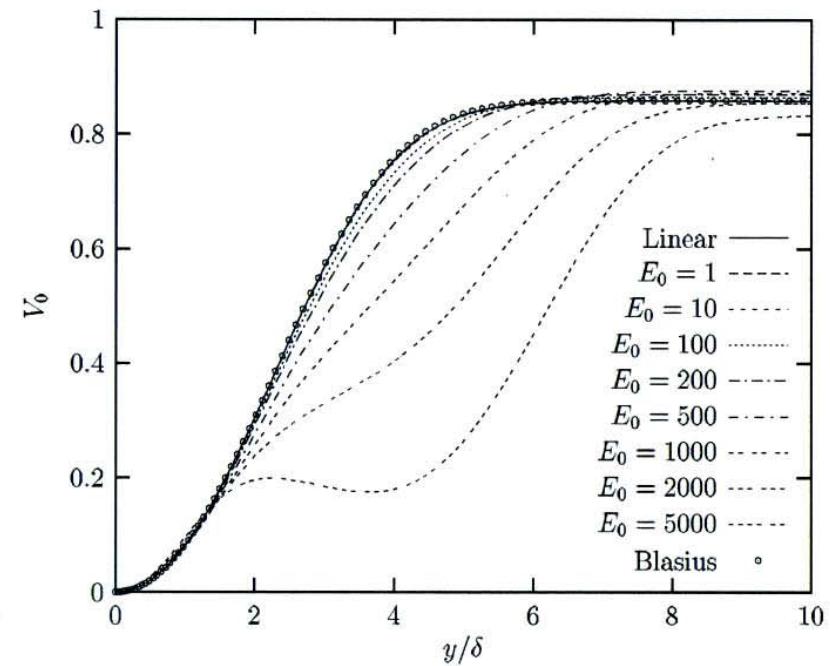
# Optimal perturbation – $\beta\delta = 0.45$

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Mean flow contribution (independent of  $z$ ). Profiles at the final station  $x = 1$



$|U_0|$  with varying  $E_0$



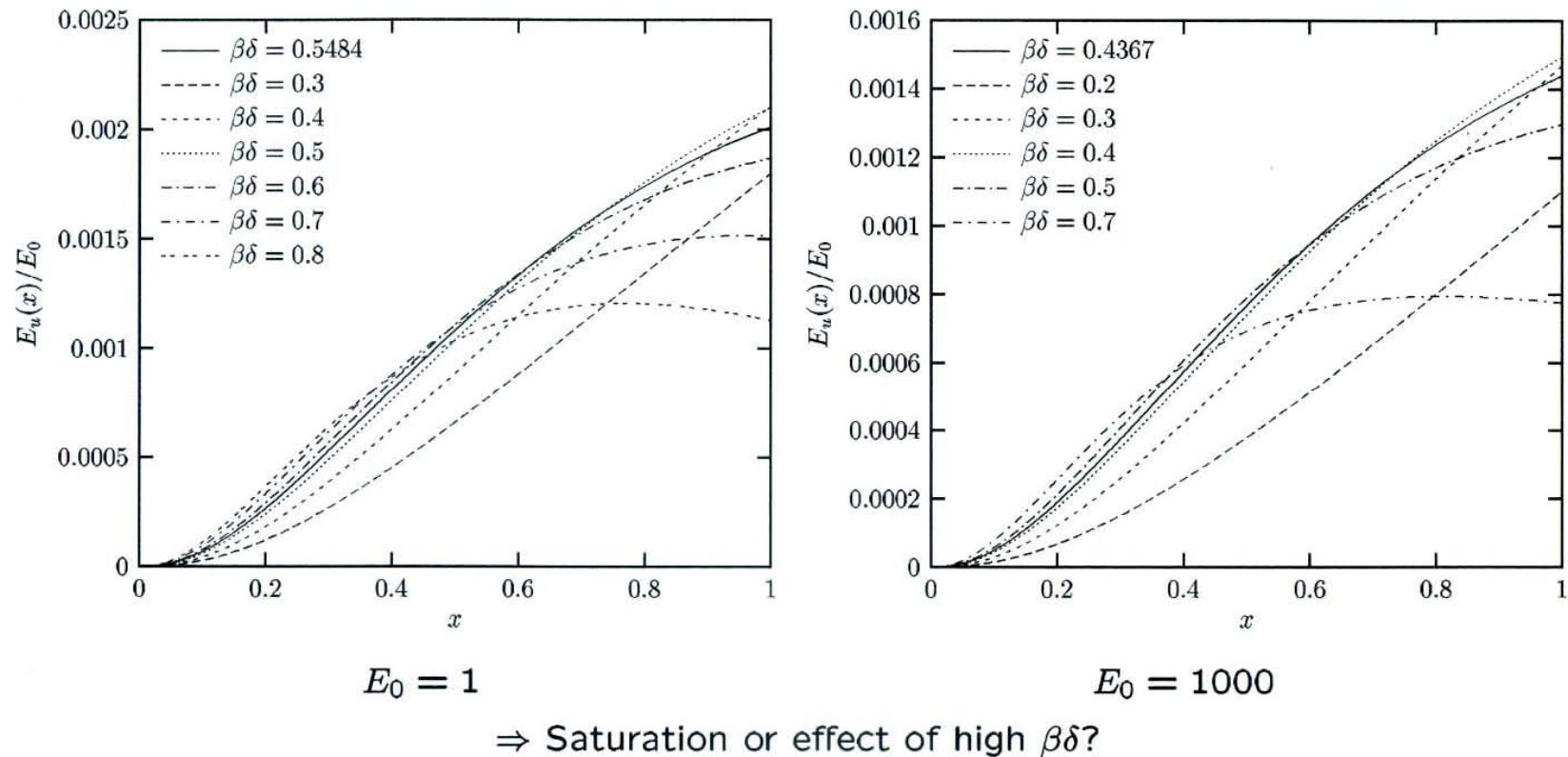
$|V_0|$  with varying  $E_0$

⇒ Mean flow distortion with respect to Blasius

## Optimal perturbation – fixed $E_0$

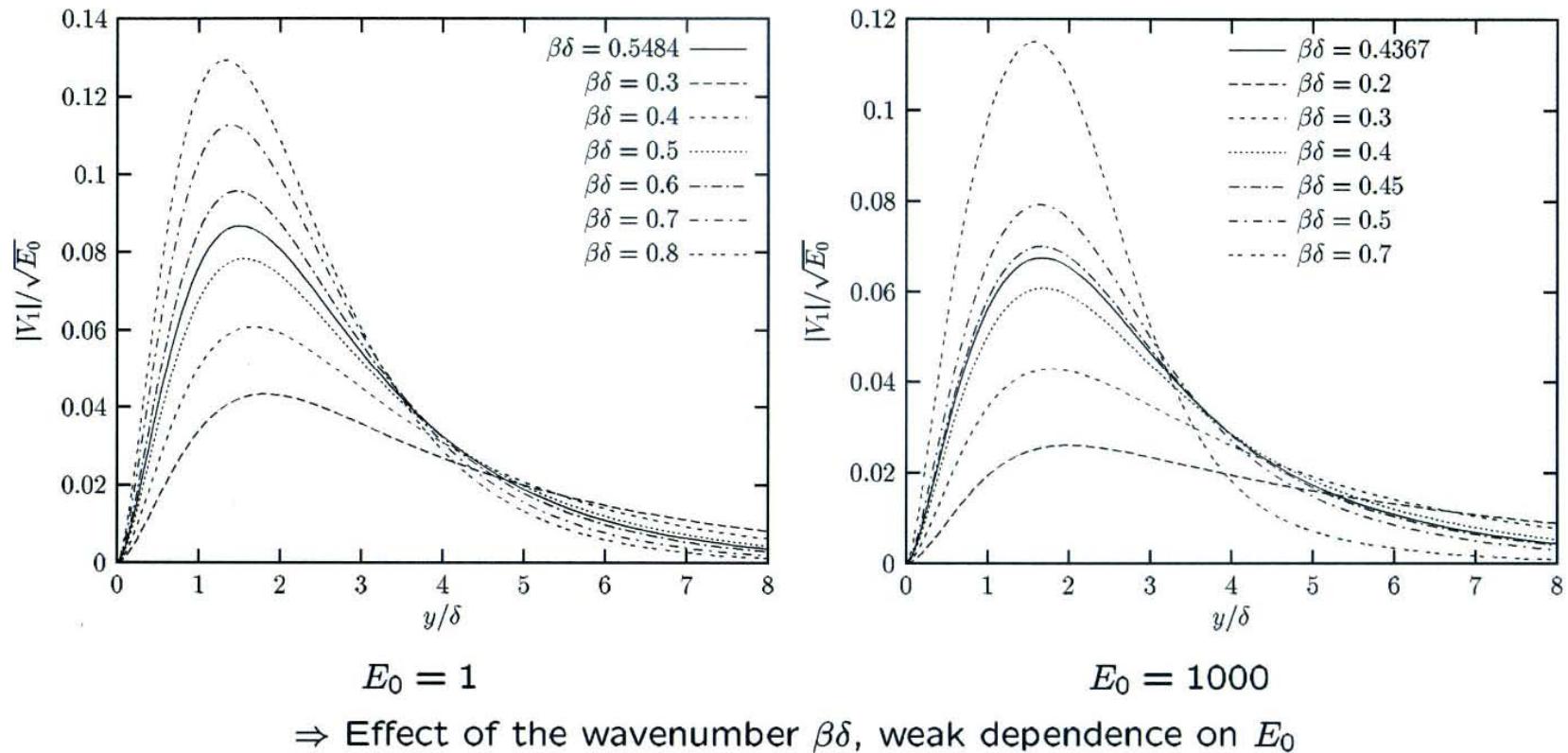
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Energy behavior  $E_u(x)/E_0$  for varying  $\beta\delta$  at fixed  $E_0$



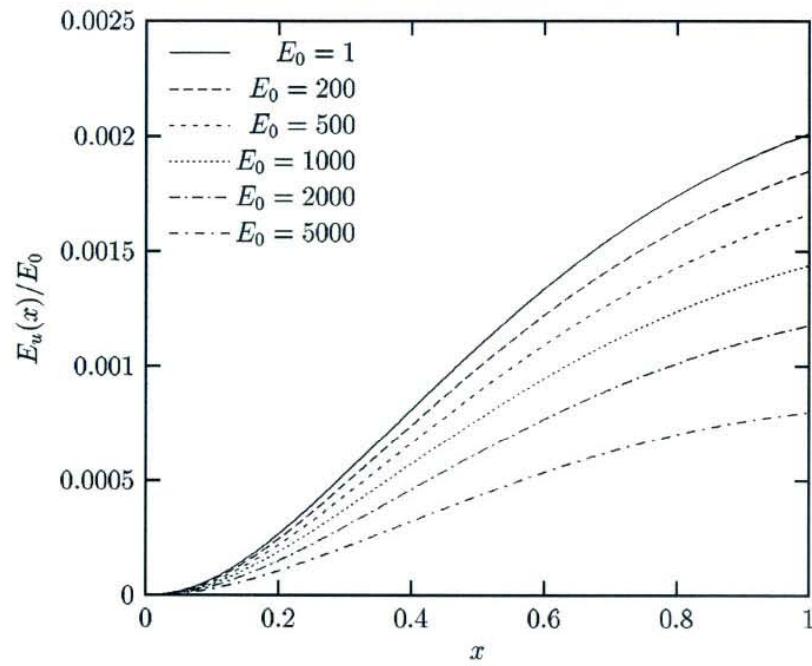
## Optimal perturbation – fixed $E_0$

Optimal perturbation  $|V_1|/\sqrt{E_0}$  for varying  $\beta\delta$  at fixed  $E_0$

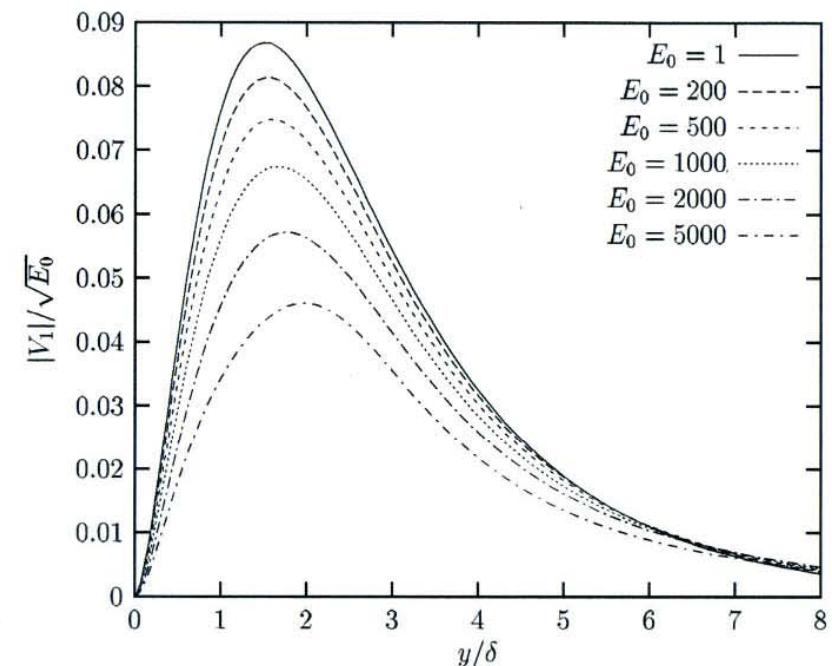


# Optimal perturbation – optimal $\beta\delta$

Comparisons at optimal  $\beta\delta$  for different values of initial energy



Energy behavior  $E_u(x)/E_0$

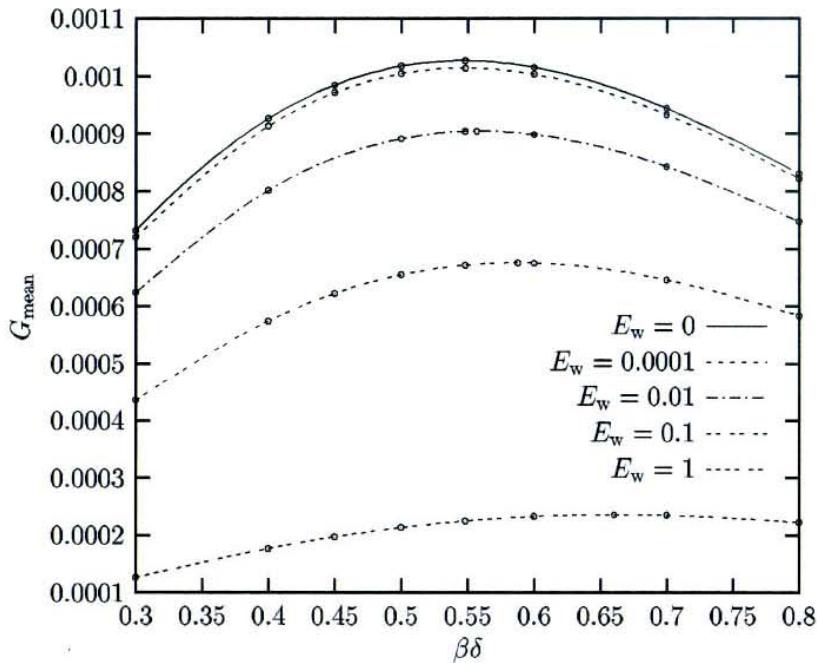


Optimal perturbation  $|V_1|/\sqrt{E_0}$

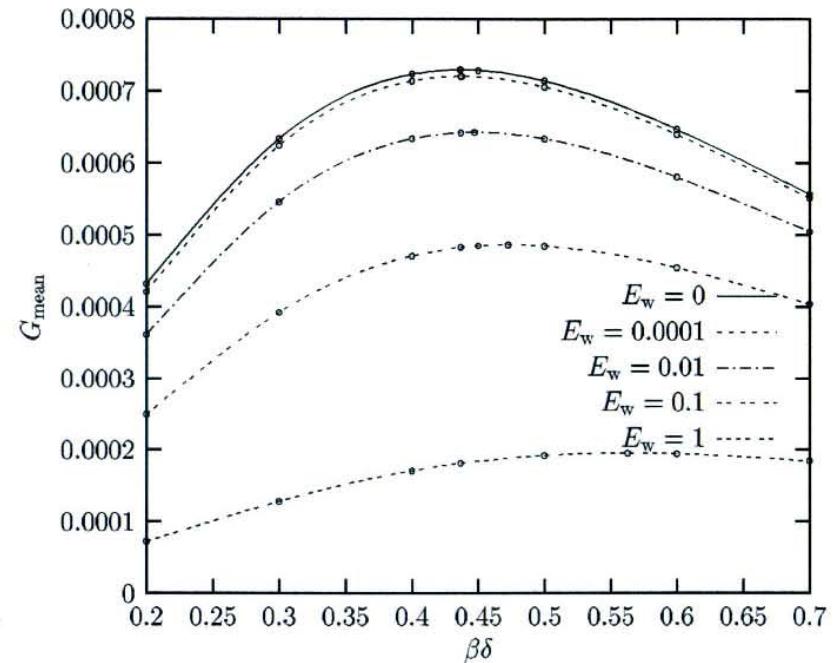
⇒ Much more regular behavior with varying  $E_0$

# Optimal control

Gain  $G_{\text{mean}} = E_{\text{mean}}/E_0$  with varying control energy  $E_w$  and wavenumber  $\beta\delta$



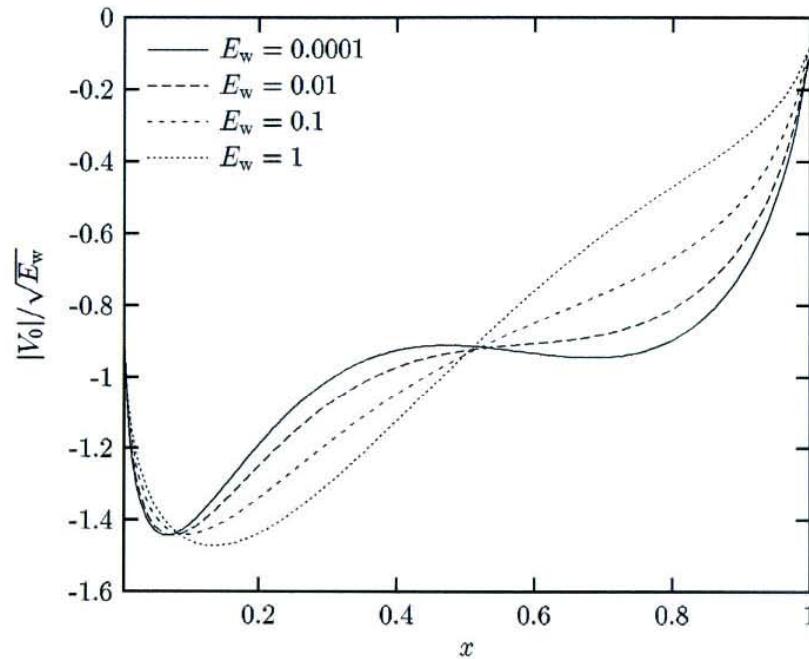
$$E_0 = 1$$



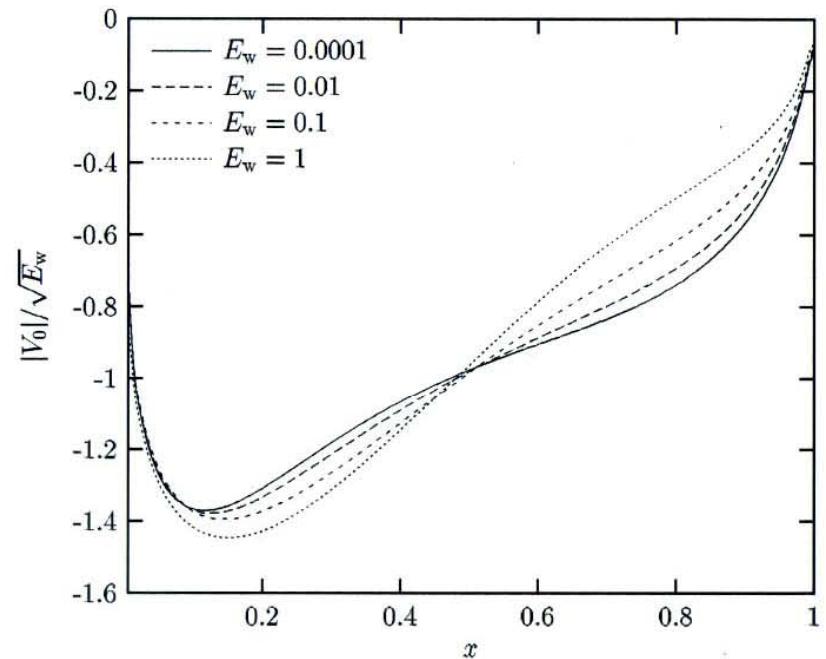
$$E_0 = 1000$$

## Optimal control – optimal $\beta\delta$

Optimal control at the wall  $|V_0|/\sqrt{E_w}$  for varying  $E_w$  at fixed  $\beta\delta$



$$E_0 = 1$$

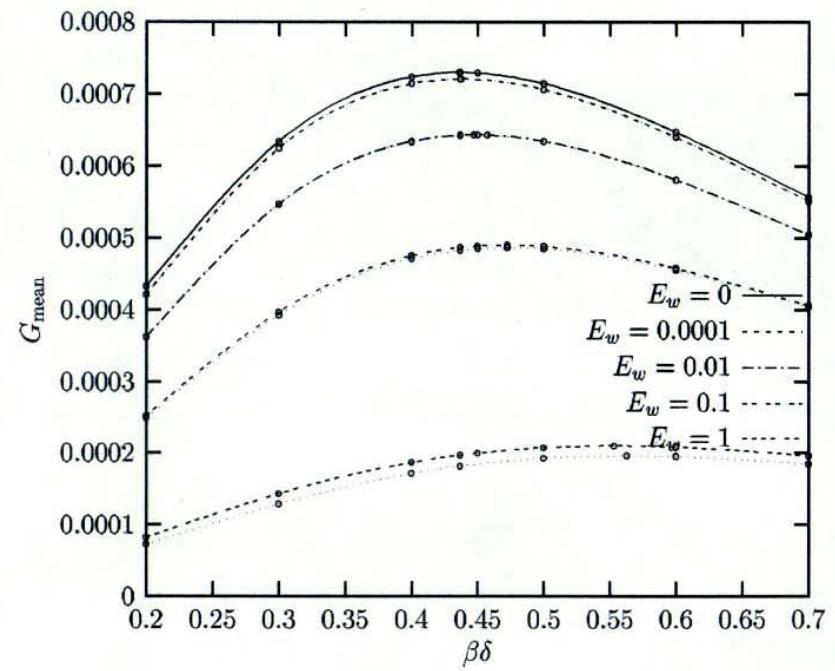
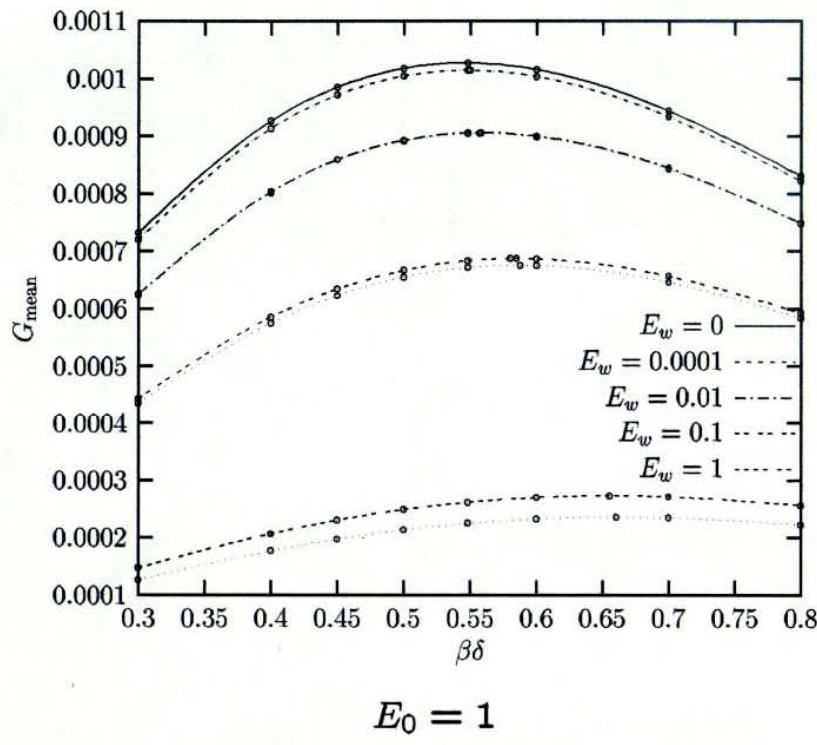


$$E_0 = 1000$$

⇒ Effect of the initial energy  $E_0$  on the regularity of the profile

# Robust control

Gain  $G_{\text{mean}} = E_{\text{mean}}/E_0$  for varying  $E_w$  and  $\beta\delta$



⇒ Robust control curves are always above optimal control curves.

## Robust control – optimal $\beta\delta$

